



CLARK COUNTY
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School Health & Safety TAG Meeting Notes

Date: 03/11/2020

Location: ESD 112 – Cowlitz Room

Time	Activity/topic	Notes
1:30 – 1:40 p.m.	Call to order and introductions	
1:40 – 1:55 p.m.	<p>Presentation outlining proposal for the Environmental Health Assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Packets including itemized checklist, sample report, and proposed certificate of completion.	<p>Presenters: Christine Harper and Sara Schroeder (CCPH)</p> <p>Key messaging:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2020 is a volunteer year• Fee will be hourly• First three-year cycle for assessments runs 2021 – 2024• Scheduling is up to the districts to coordinate with CCPH<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ CCPH can conduct ~50 assessments per year <p>Preparing for assessments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Schools will be in contact with a CCPH representative.• Focus will be informed by district and specific school’s needs. <p>Performing the assessment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coordinate with CCPH on best day/time.• WAC requirements will be primary focus.• Secondary focus will be on recommendations from K12 guided by specific school needs.

		<p>Reporting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reports will draw distinctions between WAC requirements and recommendations. • Draft report will be sent to district representative for review and comment. • After review and comment, the final report will be provided with a Certification of Completion
1:55– 2:20 p.m.	Discussion	<p>Questions/Suggestions asked after presentation:</p> <p>What will be the process after a report is issued?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCPH will help the schools prioritize items to be addressed. • CCPH will be available as a resource and provide updated information on topics related to School Environmental Health. <p>Where are the reports published to?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They are internal; however they will be public record. Reports can go to whomever the district likes. <p>What areas of the schools will be assessed?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student occupied locations will be the focus of the Environmental Health Assessment, such as but not limited to classrooms, common areas, playgrounds and cafeterias. <p>Does someone need to walk with the Environmental Health Specialist during assessment?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each location can decide if they want someone walking with the Environmental Health Specialist. At the end of the assessment there would be a meeting to discuss findings before the draft report is sent. <p>What about work practices?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Things like eye protections, hair restraint, safe zones for the students will be observed. Staff safety and ergonomics will not. <p>When will 2021 fees be known?</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council approves PH fees in late November, early December. PH will share anticipated fees with districts as early as possible ~mid July. <p>What if the cost of recommended changes is financially restrictive?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendations are just that, recommendations. Findings that are supported by WAC will be listed with flexibility in the timeframe they're required to be addressed such as "at the next remodel." <p>Are grants available to help supplement this work?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possibly. CCPH is actively looking for grant opportunities to help support this work.
2:20 – 2:30	What to do when things don't go as expected (power outage, water shutoff, heat/boiler issues, etc.)	<p>Brian Schlottmann (CCPH) outlined some examples of past experiences when schools have notified PH of facility issues.</p> <p>Question posed to the group; how can PH support schools during these events?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A decision wasn't made but the idea of a resource guide that outlines major topics and including when PH should be notified. The conversation will continue as PH works on this guide and asks for support in creating a resource that schools and districts can use.
2:30 – 2:45	COVID-19 update	<p>Brianna Dannen, RN gave an update to schools on the current information, at that time, regarding COVID-19</p> <p>Resources recommended:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>WA DOH COVID-19 School page:</i> https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/Coronavirus/Schools • CDC COVID-19 School and Child Care page: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/index.html • CCPH webpage with current local information:

		https://www.clark.wa.gov/public-health/novel-coronavirus
2:45 – 2:55 p.m.	Summary & next steps	Districts to contact CCPH to schedule Environmental Health Assessments for 2020 by emailing DLCntyHealthSchools@clark.wa.gov
2:55 p.m.	Adjournment	

Next proposed meeting: September 2020

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